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SUBJECT: BELGIANS QUERY VALUE OF NEW BURMA RESOLUTION;
GUIDANCE REQUEST

REF: STATE 125430

Classified By: Political Counselor Theodore H. Andrews,
reason 4. b/d.

[¶1.](#) (C) Rudi Brieven, head of Belgium's UNSC cell, assured us on September 14 that Belgium would "of course be supportive" of a new resolution condemning Burma's human rights record. The Belgians agree with the idea of placing a presentation to the UNSC by Special Envoy Gambari a footnote into the record.

[¶2.](#) (C) At the same time, Brieven noted, Belgium questions the "push" for a new resolution when it is known in advance that two permanent rep countries - China and Russia - will veto it, as happened with the resolution presented in January 2007.

[¶3.](#) (SBU) Action Request: Post would appreciate guidance in order to reply to this question.
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